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- Two types of retail food stores exist in Albania, both government-controlled: ration shops and free-market shops.
- Rationed goods are available on the following scale:

Bread (usually of corn flour)	- 450-900 grams per day
Macaroni	- 500 grams per month
Beans	- 500 " " "
Oil	- 250 " " "
Olives	- 250 " " "
Meat (if available)	- 500 " " "
Sugar	- 250 " " "
Soap	- 100 " " "
Wood or coal	- 5,000 " " "

- Officials and members of the Albanian Workers' Party and troops receive larger rations than those indicated above. In certain shops, reserved for foreigners, almost any goods can be bought. Such items as butter, cheese and meat are in short supply and are considered luxuries; in 1951 there has also been a shortage of bread.

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